



Hope Eternal

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TODAY'S READING: 1 Peter 1

I can really relate to Peter. If you recall, he was a fisherman who Jesus called to follow Him. He may have also been a little impulsive. He denied Jesus after he was arrested (Luke 22). Then Jesus forgave and restored him on the beach (John 21). Peter was there. He was with Jesus. And he was there when Jesus died. He also saw him alive again.

Peter knew what it meant to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus. We also can have a living hope. This hope is grounded in the reality of Christ and His resurrection.

1 Peter 1:3 says, *"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."*

Peter experienced the forgiveness Jesus offers. Like Peter, I know I mess up a lot. You mess up a lot. But through the resurrection of Jesus, our debt was paid. And because our debt was paid, we can have hope. Hope that, no matter what happens on this earth, we will be with God forever.

PRAYER: Lord, thank You for paying the price of my sin by Your death and resurrection. Because of this I can have hope.

TOMORROW'S READING: 1 Peter 2

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